

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Pursuant to Chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, notice is hereby given that the State of Hawaii, Department of Transportation, Airports Division, will hold public hearings to consider proposed changes to Chapter 19-15.1, Hawaii Administrative Rules, entitled "Operation of Motor Vehicles at Public Airports".

The Airports Division is proposing to amend two sections in Chapter 19-15.1 as set forth below.

1. Section 19-15.1-9.1 is proposed to be amended to read as follows:

"Parking for persons with disabilities.

Parking for persons with disabilities shall be regulated in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 11-219, Hawaii Administrative Rules."

The reason for this proposed change is as follows:

- a. The existing section is not consistent with Chapter 11-219, Hawaii Administrative Rules, entitled "Parking for Persons with Disabilities"; for example, the existing section:
 - (1) Uses the outdated term "handicapped"; and
 - (2) Does not mention special license plates.
- b. The proposed change will ensure consistency with the aforementioned Chapter 11-219.

2. Section 19-15.1-15 is proposed to be amended to recognize valid foreign motor vehicle driver's licenses and international motor vehicle driving permits.

The reason for this proposed change is to accommodate foreign air carriers which have maintenance employees on temporary duty in Hawaii. It will enable such employees, who have a valid foreign motor vehicle driver's license and international motor vehicle driving permit, to operate motor vehicles in airport operational areas without the need to go through the cumbersome process of obtaining a State of Hawaii driver's license.

The public hearings will be held as follows:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
December 8, 2003	9:00 am	Airport Conference Center Interisland Terminal, Seventh Floor Honolulu International Airport Honolulu, Oahu
December 8, 2003	3:00 pm	Airport Mezzanine Conference Room South Terminal, Third Floor Lihue Airport Lihue, Kauai
December 9, 2003	9:30 am	Airport Conference Room Kahului Airport Kahului, Maui
December 9, 2003	3:00 pm	Airport Conference Room Kona International Airport at Keahole Kailua-Kona, Hawaii

Interested persons are invited to present their views on the proposed rules at the public hearings. Written comments will be accepted until December 16, 2003, at the following address:

State of Hawaii
Department of Transportation
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400 Rodgers Blvd., Suite 700
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819-1880

A copy of the proposed rule amendments may be requested by calling 838-8622. Upon receiving such a request, a copy will be mailed at no cost to the requester. Copies may also be obtained or reviewed at the airport manager's office at Honolulu International, Kahului, Kona International at Keahole and Lihue airports, from Monday through Friday (except state holidays), between the hours of 7:45 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Persons with disabilities requiring special assistance should call 838-8622 at least ten days before the hearing.

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